

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF WATER

## **MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT:

FY 2009 Regional Allotments (by State and Territory) for Counter-

**Terrorism Coordination Grants** 

FROM:

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Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (4601M)

TO:

Water Management Division Directors

Regions I - X

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide allotment and accounting information to the Regional Program Offices on grants that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will award for counter-terrorism coordination activities by the States and Territories. A request for the continuation of this grant program was included and approved in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 President's Budget at an amount of \$4,950,000 and was subsequently appropriated under the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2009 (Public Law 110-161). Therefore, under this FY 2009 appropriation in the State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) account, \$4,950,000 is now available to EPA for award to States and Territories to continue the support of counter-terrorism coordination activities by the States and Territories in protecting the Nation's drinking water systems. Regional Program Offices are to use the allotment and accounting information contained in this memorandum in conjunction with the memorandum titled "Grants Involving Counter-Terrorism Coordination Activities by States and Territories" to make new grant awards to States and Territories for counter-terrorism coordination activities, or amend previous grants which only include STAG funding. These funds shall not be utilized in conjunction with previously provided S&T C9 funds.

Indications are that this grant program will not be included in the 2010 Budget. For that reason, Regions are advised to assume no further funds under the STAG Counter Terrorism Coordination Grant program will be appropriated; therefore, the selection of projects initiated should rely on the realistic projection of no additional future funds availability.

## Allocation of Funds

This FY 2009 appropriation was made available in STAG funds, which are to remain available until expended. As was the case in previous years, a modification of the basic PWSS formula was chosen to allocate the \$4,950,000, with each State to receive a minimum of \$50,000 and each Territory at least \$16,700. In addition, this year, the allocation was further modified to reward those states which had achieved 100% utilization of their allotted funds during FY 06, FY 07, and FY 08. These states will receive an increment of funding in addition to the PWSS formula amount. A use factor was developed for each state, based on their average utilization of allocated funds during the three reviewed periods. This use factor was multiplied by the amount of funds which would have been anticipated for the state in FY 2009 using the PWSS formula. For example, if a state used an average of 88% of its funds over the last 3 years, and if that state would have received \$100,000 under the PWSS formula, then the state would receive \$88,000 for FY 2009 under the new allotment method. If the resultant amount was less than \$50,000, then the state was allocated the minimum amount of \$50,000. If the resultant amount was more than \$50,000, then the state was allocated that amount, as explained in the example

As an extra recognition of successfully satisfying the responsibility of fully utilizing the allocated funding, states which utilized at the 100% rate during the three reviewed prior periods received the PWSS formula amount, plus an extra amount weighted by the amount of average funding utilized. The additional increment each of these full utilization states receives is derived by developing the ratio of their anticipated PWSS formula share of the allotment as a percentage of the total PWSS formula shares of those states achieving 100% historical usage of their allotments. This ratio is then multiplied by the amount of STAG account balance remaining after both the minimums for states and territories being allocated \$50,000 and \$16,700, and those states receiving a greater amount based on the PWSS formula, are subtracted from the total state allotment. The STAG account balance remaining for a performance increment to these 100% states is \$605,328. States achieving the 100% utilization goal have their weighted percentage (ratio) of this amount added to their PWSS formula allocation, providing their final allotment amount. For example, if a state represents 1% of the sum of all of the funding to 100% states under the PWSS formula, then that state would receive an additional \$6,053 (subject to rounding).

The table below shows the allotment by State and Territory. The Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water (OGWDW) has reprogrammed these STAG funds to each Region for distribution to the States and Territories. Accounting information to be used includes:

- Program Results Code 201B25E
- Budget Year 2009
- Appropriations Code E 1

STATE/REGION	ALLOTMENT
CT	\$50,000
ME	\$62,300
MA	\$71,500
NH	\$72,500
RI	\$62,300
VT	<u>\$62,300</u>
REGION 1 TOTAL	<b>\$380,900</b>
NJ	\$119,100
NY	\$294,100
PR	\$62,200
VI	<u>\$16,700</u>
REGION 2 TOTAL	<b>\$492,100</b>
DC DE MD PA VA WV REGION 3 TOTAL	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$260,800 \$50,000 <u>\$50,000</u> <b>\$510,800</b>
AL FL GA KY MS NC SC TN REGION 4 TOTAL	\$50,000 \$123,900 \$73,900 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$106,700 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$554,500
IL	\$188,200
IN	\$123,900
MI	\$264,200
MN	\$154,800
OH	\$175,900
WI	\$111,600
REGION 5 TOTAL	\$1,018,600

AR LA NM OK TX REGION 6 TOTAL	\$62,300 \$59,500 \$65,700 \$83,600 \$205,800 \$476,900
IA KS MO NE REGION 7 TOTAL	\$50,000 \$50,000 \$64,700 \$62,300 \$227,000
CO MT ND SD UT WY REGION 8 TOTAL	\$50,000 \$78,500 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$50,000 \$328,500
AZ CA HI NV AS GU NMI REGION 9 TOTAL	\$64,300 \$380,300 \$62,300 \$62,300 \$16,700 \$16,700 \$16,700 <b>\$16,700</b> <b>\$619,300</b>
AK ID OR WA REGION 10 TOTAL	\$50,000 \$73,200 \$52,500 <u>\$165,700</u> <b>\$341,400</b>
GRAND TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$4,950,000

## **ACTIONS**

Upon receipt of this memorandum, your Regional Program Office is requested to initiate the process whereby States and Territories may apply for these grants per the memorandum titled "Grants Involving Counter-Terrorism Coordination Activities by States and Territories." I urge you to work with the States and Territories to apply as soon as possible so that you may obligate most, if not all, of these funds by September 30, 2008.

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We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff to develop effective, efficient approaches to ensuring that drinking water systems are as safe as possible as soon as possible. If you have any questions on this particular portion of the program, please contact Nancy Muzzy of the OGWDW's Water Security Division at (513) 569-7864 and muzzy.nancy@epa.gov.

Attachment A: Allocation Change Memo, Michael Shapiro, Acting Assistant Administrator, Office of Water

cc: Water Security Division Regional contacts
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(Regions to inform State Drinking Water Administrators)